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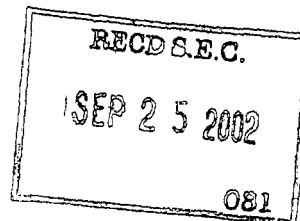
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Mr. Brian Johnson
Branch Chief
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Judiciary Plaza
450 Fifth Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20549



Dear Mr. Johnson:

This is to certify that on August 9, 2002, the American Stock Exchange, Inc. (the "Exchange") received from Nuveen North Carolina Dividend Advantage Municipal Fund 3 (the "Registrant") a copy of the Registrant's application on Form 8A 12 B for the registration of the following securities:

Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share

We further certify that the above described security has been approved by the Exchange for listing and registration.

We understand that the Registrant is seeking immediate acceleration of the effective date of registration, and we hereby join in such request.

Sincerely,

Bryan Fischer
Director
Listing Qualifications Department

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